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hic...
hic...
YOUR FRIENDS SAID THAT THEY'D BRING THE ITEM TO USE AS AN EXCHANGE FOR YOU.
OH, STOP CRYING ALREADY.

I TOLD YOU TO STOP CRYING. PEOPLE ARE GONNA THINK WE'RE BULLYING YOU.
HIC... THAT'S NOT IT...
I JUST... FEEL BETRAYED...
HIC
HIC
OH, AND HERE... CHUNG DAN.
They are playing Go-Stop

Tak
...
Hic.. Hic.. Hic..
Hic..
NOW I'VE GOT A 'THREE-GO' AND A 'CHUNG DAN' CARD... WHAT'S MY SCORE?
WHOA, AND TO THINK THAT WE ONLY TOLD HER THE RULES ONCE.
SHE JUST SUCKS AT ADDING UP THE NUMBERS...
DEAN
SLAM
YOU MORONS! I TOLD YOU TO KEEP AN EYE ON THE GIRL AND YOU GO AND PLAY CARDS WITH HER!
GET OUT OF HERE AND KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR THOSE KIDS!
WHEN ARE THOSE DAMN KIDS GONNA BRING THE BOAR?! THERE'LL BE HELL TO PAY IF THEY DON'T GET HERE SOON!
WELL... UH...

YOU KNOW, THEY MIGHT NOT BE COMING... THE THING LOOKED PRETTY USELESS TO ME...
...
SLAM
hic..
THE GIRL WHOSE FRIENDS LET HER GET KIDNAPPED.
Sob Sob Sob
Floop
HOW CAN THIS BE HAPPENING TO ME...
WHY...?
I WANT MY MOM... I SHOULD'VE BEEN A BETTER DAUGHTER...

NAMU! RUN!
UHH...
I WONDER IF TAE-HU'S HAND IS TREATED YET...

GET YOUR HANDS OFF HER!
GET YOUR HANDS OFF HER!
GET YOUR HANDS OFF HER!
Badump...
Badump...
OH.. WHAT AM I GONNA DO...?
I KNOW HE USED ME TO GET INTO MAX AND ALL...
BUT I CAN'T REALLY BRING MYSELF TO HATE THE GUY...
I WONDER IF HE'S WORRIED ABOUT ME NOW...
This is not the time to be happy about it!
Happy~
CRASH

CRASH
ACK! LET GO OF ME!
Bang Bang
BAM BAM
THUMP
WHAT THE HELL...
SLAM
EEK!

SHEEK
SHEEK
UWAH
STEP
STEP
TING
P-P-PLEASE HELP ME...
G-G-G-GUNS?!
Target located.
Mission accomplished.
You found Don Namu?
Where is she?

SLAM
DON NAMU!
TAP TAP
TAE-HU...

YOUNGIN! WE'RE HERE TO RESCUE YOU!
...
OPERATION JUSTICE, RESCUE COMPLETE!
SORRY WE TOOK SO LONG!

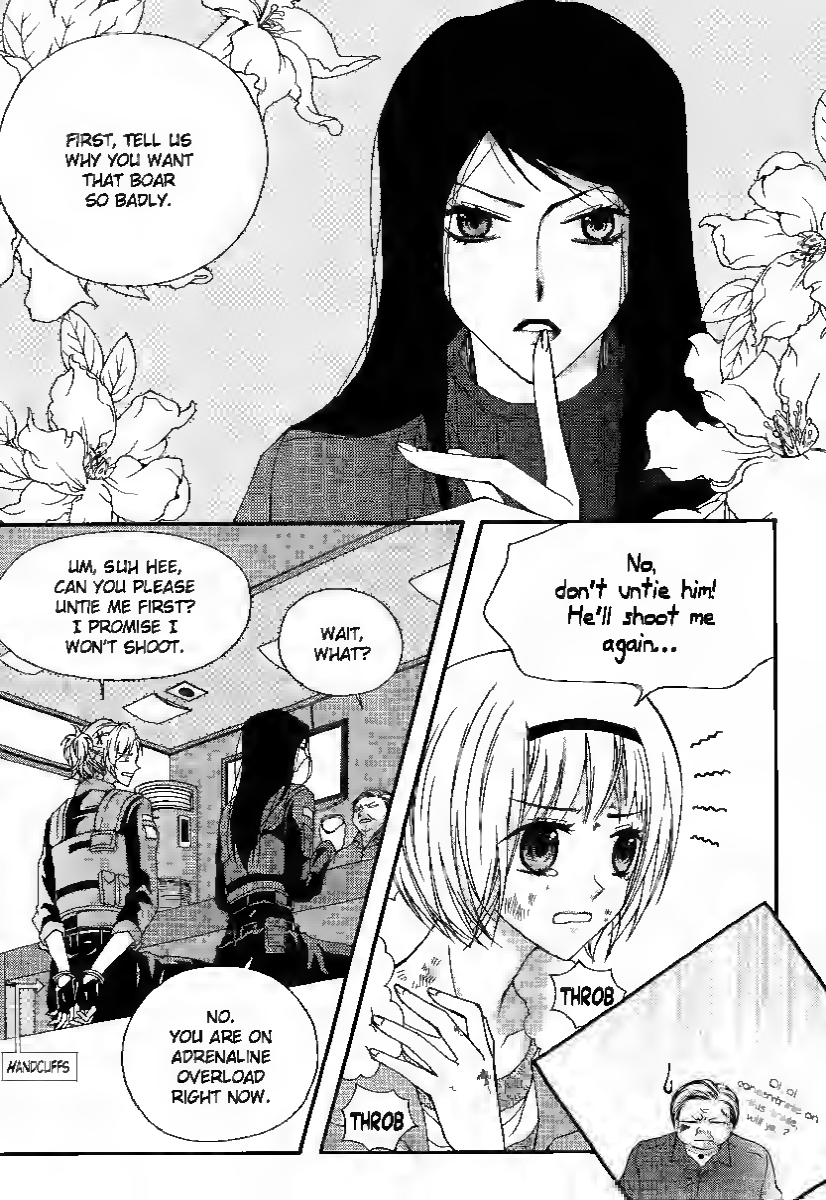
GRANDMA'S ORIGINAL
SPICY GALBI
KBK
STILL DAZED...
THIS IS A BBQ PLACE...
I DIDN'T REALISE IT BECAUSE
MY EYES WERE COVERED...
No wonder
I thought I smelled meat

I'M STILL CONFUSED... ON WHO THESE PEOPLE ARE...
WE'RE PRIVATE BODYGUARDS!
What? Private bodyguards?
Wobble
WE ARE ALWAYS PREPARED FOR EMERGENCY ACTION! THOSE BAD MEN WHO TOUCHED OUR PRECIOUS DON NAMU WERE PUT TO JUSTICE!
THAT'S MAX ON AN AMAZING SCALE FOR YOU!
Im grateful, but
WHY ARE THEY STILL POSING LIKE THAT ..?
YEH-MN LOOKS SO AWKWARD...
JAE TAE-HUI! DO THE DOSE WE TAUGHT YOU! COME ON!
TAE-HUI
PRETENDING HE DIDN'T HEAR

HEEEY! HOW DARE YOU IGNORE ME?!
Please, stop. You embarrass me.
...
TAE-HU.
Badump
HOW IS YOUR INJURED HAND?
...
I JUST SPRAINED IT.
IT'S NOTHING.
YOU REALLY SHOULDN'T BE WORRYING ABOUT ME
I EVEN HID THE THING ABOUT THE PHOTO FRAME

Gasp
Wow, look at his face
...
Ha... ...
BADUMP
BADUMP
BADUMP
HUH?
BADUMP

STOP NEGLECTING ME!
BB GUN
BBBBA
BBBBBA
SMACK
...WELL, HOW MUCH IS IT, THEN?
PANT-
PANT-
HOW MUCH DO I HAVE TO GIVE YOU TO GET YOU TO RETURN MY BOAR AND TAKE YOUR MEN AWAY?
SURRENDER


FIRST, TELL US WHY YOU WANT THAT BOAR SO BADLY.
UM, SUH HEE, CAN YOU PLEASE UNTIE ME FIRST? I PROMISE I WON'T SHOOT.
WAIT, WHAT?
NO. YOU ARE ON ADRENALINE OVERLOAD RIGHT NOW.
HANDCUFFS
No, don't untie him! He'll shoot me again...
THROB
THROB
Oi oi, are you trying to kill him, will ya?

SLAM
WILL YOU ALL JUST SHUT UP?! JUST GIVE US BACK OUR BOAR ALREADY! IT HAS OUR SECRET INGREDIENT IN IT!
SMILE
WOULD YOU LIKE SOME TEA?
What the- He's serving from our venison medicine.
But somehow it's very graceful.

SO THAT'S WHAT THEY WERE AFTER...
THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.
WHAT... WHAT DID I JUST DO...?
You told them!
SP
IN
Ok-ok-ok! A secret ingredient you say?
THROB
THROB
THROB
THEY'RE ALL LIKE ONE BIG DYSFUNCTIONAL FAMILY...

WAIT, WHAT'S GOING ON ..?
LOST
LOOK, WE FOUND THIS NOTEBOOK IN THAT BOAR.
TELL US MORE.
...
SLIDE
WHAT MORE DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU?! LOOK AT OUR SIGN! IT SAYS 'GRANDMA'S ORIGINAL SPICY GALBI'.
50 YEARS AGO, MY MOTHER HID THE SECRET INGREDIENT TO OUR GALBI RECIPE IN THAT STUFFED BOAR.

SO YOU'RE TELLING ME THAT THERE'S A SECRET INGREDIENT TO SPICY GALBI SAUCE?!
I MYSELF ONLY LEARNED ABOUT IT FAIRLY RECENTLY. I WAS A TERRIBLE SON IN MY YOUTH, SO MY MOTHER KEPT THE SECRET FROM ME FOR YEARS.
EVENTUALLY, SHE GREW OLD AND FRAIL, SO I TOLD HER I WOULD SET THINGS STRAIGHT AND WORK HARD. THAT'S WHEN SHE TOLD ME ABOUT THE SECRET RECIPE.

SHE'S IN A COMA NOW... THAT'S WHY BEFORE SHE PASSES AWAY, I WANT TO MAKE HER PROUD...
Sniff..
TRAGIC STORY, BUT I'M AFRAID WORDS ALONE AREN'T GOING TO BE ENOUGH. WE'RE RATHER BUSINESS-MINDED, YOU SEE...
BUT THAT NOTEBOOK BELONGS TO HIM...
I'M SORRY I KIDNAPPED YOU, KID.
cry
DON NAMU... YOU HAD BEST LEAVE THIS TO US...
BUT IF THAT'S THE CASE, THEN HOW DID THE BOAR END UP IN NAMU'S HANDS?
IF I COULD ONLY FIND OUT HOW SHE STUMBLED UPON THE THING...

MANY YEARS AGO, THAT BOAR JUMPED INTO MY PARENTS' WEDDING CEREMONY, SO THEY STUFFED IT FOR GOOD LUCK. MY MOTHER TREASURED IT, BUT I COULDN'T STAND SEEING THE THING IN OUR RESTAURANT.
TA DA
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, MOTHER WAS JUST TESTING ME TO SEE HOW WELL I WOULD GUARD HER KEEPSAKE. I DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THE RECIPE HIDDEN IN IT, SO I ENDED UP SELLING IT TO THAT STUDENT WHO CAME IN AS A CUSTOMER. I'VE REFLECTED ON MY ACTIONS EVER SINCE...
Oh, that's me right?
TA DA
THAT'S RIGHT, THIS IS WHERE I BOUGHT IT. I WAS PASSING BY AND REMEMBERED I WAS HUNGRY, SO I CAME IN, AND THAT BOAR JUST STOOD OUT, SO...
All BBQ places look alike.
THE FOOD WAS TERRIBLE. THAT WAS PROBABLY WHY I DIDN'T REMEMBER IT.
Ah! It was even recommended on TV, too!
THAT'S ONLY BECAUSE WE HAD TO CHANGE OUR SAUCE RECIPE.
BUT IT'S STRANGE THAT YOU BOUGHT IT. IT'S ALMOST AS IF YOU WERE ABLE TO SEE THROUGH IT!

BUT... BUT STILL...
A GIRL GOING INTO A BBQ PLACE BY HERSELF...?
CLICK
IN ANY CASE,
THIS NOTEBOOK IS NOW OUR PROPERTY, SO IT'S ONLY FAIR TO CHARGE YOU FOR IT.
CONSIDERING HOW MUCH MONEY YOU'LL BE MAKING WHEN YOU GET THIS BACK, OUR PRICE WILL PROBABLY BE...

ME...?
WAIT! I WANT HER TO MAKE THE DEAL!
SHE'S THE OWNER OF THE BOAR, RIGHT? AND IT'S THANKS TO HER THAT I WAS ABLE TO REFLECT ON MY WRONG-DOINGS!
sizzle
sizzle

TEN MORE ORDERS OF SPICY PORK GALBI, PLEASE!
WOW, BODYGUARDS SURE EAT A LOT...
Sizzle
Sizzle
Sizzle
Sizzle
Sizzle
Sizzle
Sizzle
Sizzle
Sizzle
WE SHOULDN'T HAVE LET HER STRIKE THE DEAL...
OH, HUSH. IT'S THE LEAST WE COULD DO FOR FORGETTING HER.
YES... IF DON NAMU WANTS TO EAT MEAT, THEN WE SHOULD LET HER EAT...
We don't have a choice.

I WANT TO TASTE THE MEAT THAT WAS COOKED WITH THE SECRET INGREDIENT!
THE PRESIDENT TOLD ME TO ASK FOR MONEY, BUT...
"JUST ASK FOR AS MUCH AS YOU CAN! TEN MILLION IS PERFECTLY ACCEPTABLE!
A SECRET INGREDIENT IN THE BOAR THAT I BOUGHT...
Sizzle
Sizzle
LOST HER MARBLES
What does it taste like..?
Sizzle
Sizzle
Squish
Aah!

MOMMY! PLEASE WAKE UP!
GRANDMA DOESN'T KNOW HOW TO WRITE. INDECIPHERABLE.
SOB
BOSS!
HAC
AWW... I WANTED TO TASTE IT...

HA...

HOW CAN SUCH AN ABSENT-MINDED GIRL POSSESS SUCH A PRECIOUS ABILITY...?
I REALLY WANTED TO FIND OUT THE PRICE OF THE BOAR THAT DON NAMU BOUGHT...
THAT'S WHY...
BOIL
BOIL
THAT'S WHY I CAME HERE IN THIS STUPID GET-UP...
DAMN IT, GOD! COULD YOU HAVE PICKED A LESS SUITABLE PERSON TO HAVE THAT ABILITY?!

WHY WOULD YOU GIVE THE ABILITY TO MAKE MONEY TO A GIRL WHO DOESN'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO USE IT?!
FIFTY ORDERS OF MEAT?! IS MEAT MORE IMPORTANT THAN MONEY?!
HOW CAN YOU JUST THROW AWAY AN OPPORTUNITY LIKE THAT?!

WHAT HAS THE WORLD COME TO?!
WELL, IT IS MEAT. BEST NOT BE WASTEFUL.♥
Where does she put it all..?
Squash
Squish
Sizzle
Sizzle

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HOW ABOUT THIS SERIES? NOW, MOVE.
HUK-
HELP US AT ECLIPSE!
WE ARE IN HORRIBLE SHAPE & WE MIGHT EVEN SHUT DOWN!

...
PLEASE WAKE THE SLEEPING PRINCESS, WHO ATE THE POISONED APPLE.
Meat.

THE SUCCESSFUL CONGLOMERATE IS AKIN TO A DESCENDANT OF GOD. THEY ARE MADE IN HEAVEN...

MY SON, TAE-HU, IS THE KIND OF PERSON WHO WOULD BEST ACHIEVE THAT.
IT WON'T BE LONG BEFORE HE EARNS A FORTUNE TWICE AS LARGE AS OURS AND MAKES OUR ENTIRE FAMILY RENOWNED FOR ITS ENTREPRENEURSHIP.
WITH HIS NATURAL INTELLIGENCE, COOL PERSONALITY, AND THE TWO-YEAR BUSINESS TRAINING THAT I ARRANGED FOR HIM, WHY, ANYTHING WOULD BE POSSIBLE...
DOES HE HAVE ANY INTEREST IN THE LADIES?
Such an upstanding young man.
O-OF COURSE.
Someone very close.

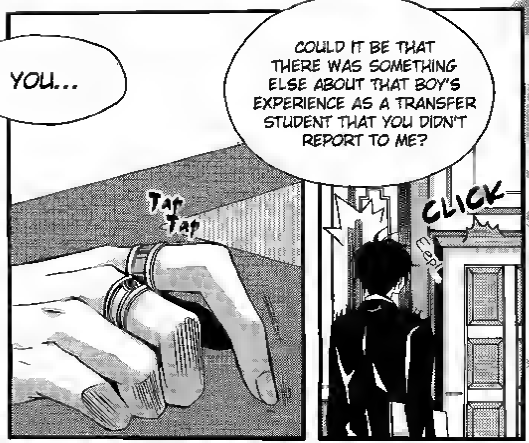
TAE-HU IS UNMATCHED WHEN IT COMES TO ORGANIZATION. HE WILL SOON BE ABLE TO ACHIEVE THE DREAMS YOU HAVE YET TO IMAGINE.
HOWEVER... HE SEEMS TO BE RUNNING A LITTLE LATE TODAY.
SURELY HE WILL BE ARRIVIN SOON. TAE-HU KNOWS ABOUT HIS SUNDAY MORNING BRUNCH, AND HE NEVER STRAYS FROM HIS SCHEDULE FOR EVEN AN INSTANT...
GOODNESS, HE'S ALREADY 20 MINUTES LATE.
SLAM

...
Dazed...
N-NO! WHY WOULD THE PERFECTIONIST, UP STANDING PRINCE BE ACTING IN SUCH A MANNER?
AH, MY SON THE SON WHO WILL BECOME THE MOZART OF THE FINANCIAL WORLD
WHAT A PITY I HAVE BUT ONE WEEK TO RELAX AND SPEND TIME WITH YOU. HOW ARE YOUR STUDIES PROGRESSING?

...
SNIFF SNIFF
UGH. THERE'S MEAT IN THIS. I'LL NEVER EAT MEAT AGAIN.
UH, HERE'S YOUR REPORT ON THE ECONOMIC SCRAP ISSUE. YOU'LL NEED TO CLEAR IT WITH THE PRESIDENT TODAY.
Tae-Hu, pay attention!
TODAY'S HEADLINE READS, "THE EUROPEAN STOCK MARKET IS BLOWING IN LIKE A STORM." AFTER THAT...
PLOP
...
DON NAMU IS COMING, YOU SAY?
PAUSE

THAT DOESN'T EVEN SOUND LIKE WHAT I SAID!
DON... NAMU?

...
STAGGER
I... NEED TO STEP OUT FOR SOME EXERCISE OR SOMETHING.


YOU...
COULD IT BE THAT THERE WAS SOMETHING ELSE ABOUT THAT BOY'S EXPERIENCE AS A TRANSFER STUDENT THAT YOU DIDN'T REPORT TO ME?
Tap Tap
CLICK

Ahhh~ He's so hot!
What perfect timing
Grown-up Fangirls (Age 20)
HE LOOKS SO YOUNG, BUT THERE'S SOMETHING SEXY AND MYSTERIOUS ABOUT HIM...
DO YOU THINK HE HAS A GIRLFRIEND?
Go ask for his number
DON NAMU...

HEY TAE-HU, IF YOU'RE ALREADY SO RICH, WHY ARE YOU TRYING TO BECOME EVEN RICHER?
DON'T BE SO NAIVE.
SWISH
I CAN'T LET PEOPLE GET AHEAD OF ME.
IF I'M NOT THE BEST AT EVERYTHING, MY LIFE WILL NEVER BE PERFECT!
BE IT ACADEMIA SPORTS OR WEALTH
AND YET...

THE ONE TALENT I SO DESIRE BUT CAN NEVER HAVE BELONGS TO THAT OBSESSIVE MEAT-EATING GLUTTON, DON NAMU, OF ALL PEOPLE!
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE EVER MISSED A SWING. YOU'VE REALLY LOST EVERY TRACE OF SANITY YOU HAD LEFT.
...
Oh my, I'm so sorry about my already-broken shoulder.

I WILL NEVER FORGIVE YOU DON NAMJI!
IF YOU KEEP THIS BEHAVIOR UP, I'LL HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT.
AFTER ALL YOU DID FOLLOW THAT GIRL, DON NAMJI FOR AN ENTIRE WEEK
...
FOLLOW HER.
I don't know what the circumstances were but it was almost to the point of stalking
PERHAPS IT WAS BECAUSE YOU'VE FALLEN FOR THAT GIRL...
...
Eheh
Heheheh...
Heh...
heh
heh
LIM... MAYBE YOU NEED TO... TAKE IT EASY...?

ME...?
FALL FOR HER...?
RATTLE
DEEP
THOUGHT-
NOTHING COULD BE FURTHER FROM THE TRUTH.
HONESTLY! WHAT KIND OF MISFIT RELATIONSHIP COULD I POSSIBLY HAVE WITH THAT *DDONG NAMU?

T/N NOTE *DDONG NAMU IS LITERALLY "POOP TREE", IT'S A PUN ON THE PRONUNCIATION SIMILARITY

HERE, I BROUGHT SOME MORE MEAT.
BARBEQUE PARTY
WOBBLE
WOBBLE
WHAT ELSE CAN YOU DO WITH MEAT BUT HAVE A BARBEQUE?
HM?

...
SURPRISE...
DIZZY
WHY... WHAT IS WITH YOU AND MEAT...?
TAE-HU♥
WAVE
H-HI?
U-UM.. DO YOU WANT SOME OF THIS DELICIOUS BARBEQUE?
Swish
UH.
FLUSTER
FLUSTER
...
THE MEAT... IT'S ALL GONE..

WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE COMMEMORATION PARTY.
PARTY?
IN HONOR OF DON NAMU'S FULL MEMBERSHIP.

THUD

I MEAN, SHE DOES HAVE THE HOOK EYE, AFTER ALL.
AND SINCE DON NAMU'S GIFT ISN'T LIMITED TO WORKS OF ART...
NOD
SHE'S MORE POTENT THAN ANY PSYCHIC.

THE ONE AND ONLY SUPER HOOK-EYE.
Me?

WOW, I MUST BE THE LUCKIEST MAN IN THE WORLD TO HAVE FOUND DON NAMU! NOW MAX IS SAVED! AHAHAHA!
FLOP
HOORAY!
WAY TO GO!
WELL, MAKING MONEY IS ALL WELL AND GOOD...
BUT WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY MAX IS SAVED?
MUNCH!
MUNCH
SIZZLE

...
EH?
I SUDDENLY FEEL VERY UNNERVED FOR SOME REASON...
I SUPPOSE NOW IT'S TIME TO SHOW YOU GUYS THE TRAINING ROOM.
BEEP
VRRRRM
THE BOOKSHELF...!
SHIVER
AT THIS POINT, I REALLY SHOULDN'T BE SURPRISED.

THIS IS THE TRAINING ROOM?
THIS IS WHERE WE KEEP OUR MAIN COMPUTER AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION FILES.
INFORMATION...
WELL THEN, I'LL SEE YOU WHEN IT'S OVER!
SLIDE

CLICK
HEY, HANG ON! WHAT DO YOU MEAN... BY SEE YOU WHEN IT'S OVER?
HE LEFT US ALONE IN THE ROOM... WELL, NOT THAT I PARTICULARLY MIND...
BADUMP
BADUMP
...
BEEP
WELCOME, NEW APPLICANTS, TO THE TRAINING ROOM.
YOU MAY NOW USE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ASK ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT MAX

ER, I... WELL, FIRST OF ALL...
OH, RIGHT. THIS IS A RECORDING, ISN'T IT? I CAN'T TAKE ANY QUESTIONS
CRCH
WHEN WE STARTED, WHERE WE STARTED, WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO YOU WHEN YOU GRADUATE...
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...WE CAN'T TELL YOU YET.
STOOOOP THIIIIIS!! OOOOOOOOOO!!
...
THE ONLY THING YOU NEED TO KNOW...

IS THAT WE HAD A CAPITAL OF 5 MILLION.
EH?
THAT WAS THE BASIC FUNDING GIVEN TO US, GENERATIONS UPON GENERATIONS AGO. WHATEVER WE LOSE WHILE INVESTING, WE HAVE TO MAKE UP, EVERY CENT OF IT.

F-five...
M-
Mil...
A-am I hearing things..?
WAIT A MINUTE. "HAD?"
!
NOW I IMAGINE MOST SIMPLE PEOPLE WOULD BE OVERWHELMED WITH SURPRISE AT SUCH A LARGE NUMBER BUT AN OBSERVANT PERSON WOULD HAVE NOTICED
The observant person
..UNFORTUNATELY AN UPPERCLASSMAN PRECEDING US LOST ALL OF THE FUNDS AND GRADUATED WITHOUT RETURNING THEM. AS A RESULT, THE BALANCE IS EMPTY AND THE UPPERCLASSMAN HAS BEEN PUNISHED BY MAX HEADQUARTERS OFFICIALS
The simple person
THE UPPERCLASSMEN THAT ENTER THIS ROOM ARE ALL PART OF THE REAL ORGANIZATION THEY WATCH US, THEY HELP US..

WELL, LONG STORY SHORT, OUR DEBT CURRENTLY AMOUNTS TO AROUND 50 MILLION.
What!
A 50 MILLION DEBT? AND WHAT DO YOU MEAN, OUR DEBT?!
BUT DON'T WORRY. I'VE MADE UP FOR MOST OF IT
I don't really get it, but that's reassuring
THEN AGAIN, SOME TIME AGO, I LOST ABOUT THE SAME AMOUNT
Shine
EVEN SO, WITH THE PROPERTY AND STOCKS WE HAVE NOW AND THE FUNDS WE HAVE GATHERED OVER THE YEARS, THE DEBT ONLY AMOUNTS TO ABOUT 30 MILLION
AND NOW WE HAVE NEW MEMBERS, TOO!♥
THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT ONCE WE COVER THE 30 MILLION, THE REST OF WHAT WE MAKE IS OURS

SO LET'S GIVE IT OUR ALL TOGETHER TO EARN MORE YOU GUYS HAVE UNTIL I GRADUATE TO DIE OR RUN AWAY
-COMMUNICATION DISCONNECTED-
W-WAIT A MINUTE! WHAT DOES THIS ALL MEAN?
I THINK IT MEANS THAT WE'VE BOTH BECOME BEGGARS.
NOW HOW DO WE GET OUT OF HERE?
A-ARE YOU GIVING UP ALREADY?
THUD

THERE HAS TO BE A WAY OUT SOMEWHERE.

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POUR
HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO LEAVE THEM IN THERE?
Mmmm I love the smell of new money!
Haha
UNTIL THEY ACCEPT THEIR FATE.
HEH...
BUT...
WHAT IF THEY REALLY DO WANT TO QUIT?

T/N: HWANG-JAE'S NAME MEANS "EMPEROR" IF THAT HELPS TO EXPLAIN HIS ARROGANCE
DON'T WORRY... I'VE ALREADY PLANTED THE BAIT.
WHO DO YOU THINK I AM? I'M THE Hwang-Jae.
I WISH YOU WOULD SHARE YOUR PLANS WITH US BEFORE YOU COMMIT TO THEM.
WHAT'S THE MATTER, DOLLFACE? YOU'VE NEVER COMPLAINED BEFORE. ARE YOU JUST JEALOUS 'CUZ I'M PAYING MORE ATTENTION TO THE LITTLE LADY?
I used to know your plans ten minutes ahead of time.
FART

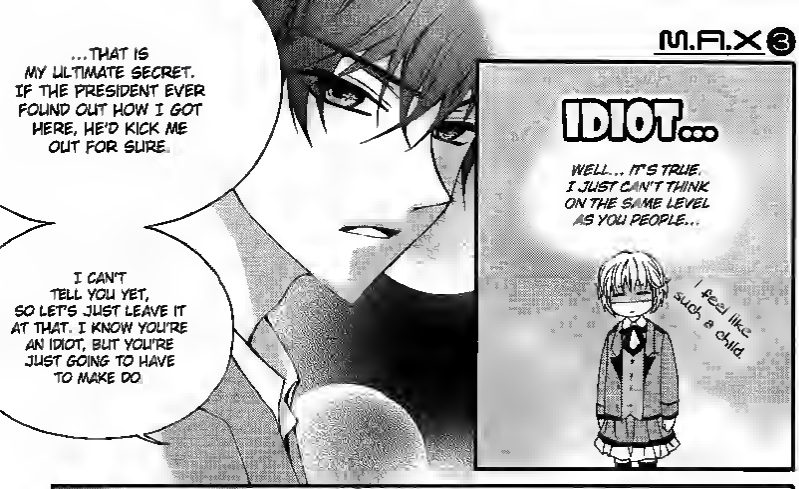
Air Freshener
SPRAY
Arghhh
SPRAY
SORRY
I'VE BEEN EATING A LOT OF MEAT LATELY BECAUSE OF DON NAMU, SO MY STOMACH IS A LITTLE ON EDGE.
SHOW A LITTLE DISCRETION. YOU KNOW HOW THE PRESIDENT IS
YOU REALLY DON'T NEED TO MAKE SUCH A FUSS OVER THE PRESIDENT ALL THE TIME, YOU KNOW.
I-I... I DON'T...
ANYWAY, THOSE TWO ARE BEING AWFULLY QUIET IN THERE...
What are they doing?

Fifty million...
Huuuu... If that's true, then joining this club essentially made us into slaves...
To pay it off
Both Hwang-Jae and 100-won sunbae are cunning little foxes. Though I never really trusted him from the start...
I EVEN BRAGGED ABOUT T TO MY MOM YESTERDAY...
"MOM, FROM NOW ON, I'LL MAKE YOU FILTHY RICH!"
"ARE YOU CRAZY?"
WELL, SHE DIDN'T BELIEVE ME ANYWAY...
HEY TAE-HU, ARE THE MAX HEADQUARTERS SOME KIND OF FIRM OR SOMETHING?
...
STAGGER
TAP TAP TAP

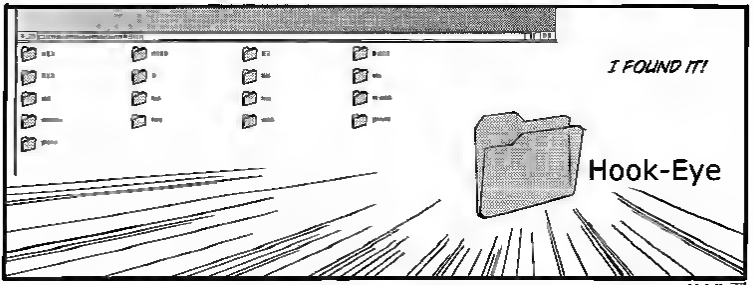
...DON'T BOTHER ME WHILE I'M THINKING.
TAP TAP
CRY
Can't we think together?
WHY DON'T YOU GO CLEAN UP, OR SOMETHING? YOU'LL BE FINE FOR NOW. IT MIGHT BE HARD FOR YOU TO HOLD ON TO THE MONEY YOU EARN, BUT YOU CAN BUY WHATEVER YOU WANT WITH A GOLD CARD
Little nuisance
I'VE BEEN TO YOUR HOUSE, SO I KNOW YOU PROBABLY DON'T GET THAT KIND OF ALLOWANCE AT HOME

R-REALLY? I GUESS I DO GET A PRETTY STINGY ALLOWANCE. SAVING UP A LOT MEANT I HAD TO DO SOME PRETTY COVERT THINGS...
BUT NOW I CAN BUY WHATEVER I WANT WITH THE GOLD CARD THE PRESIDENT GAVE ME...
ANYTHING I WANT... YOU KNOW, EVEN IF THERE IS A DEBT, IT PROBABLY WON'T MATTER TO ME...
SIMPLE
I GUESS THAT PRESIDENT ISN'T ALL THAT BAD...
OH, BUT WHAT ABOUT YOU? DID YOU JOIN JUST TO MAKE MONEY?
I'VE BEEN AIMING FOR THEIR HEADQUARTERS FROM THE START.
...WHAT?

IN THIS PARTICULAR "CLUB," THE MEMBERS WHO SUCCESSFULLY INVEST THEIR MONEY WILL BE RECRUITED BY HEADQUARTERS WHEN THEY GRADUATE. MAX IS ACTUALLY AN INTERNATIONAL OPERATION.
JOINING THIS GROUP IS THE KEY TO BECOMING ONE OF THE WEALTHIEST PEOPLE IN THE WORLD.
BUT DAMN... TO THINK I HAVE TO GO INTO DEBT FIRST...
I'VE BEEN CURIOUS ABOUT THIS FOR A WHILE NOW, BUT.. HOW EXACTLY DO YOU KNOW SO MUCH ABOUT THIS PLACE?
You even knew about MAX before you joined.


...THAT IS MY ULTIMATE SECRET. IF THE PRESIDENT EVER FOUND OUT HOW I GOT HERE, HE'D KICK ME OUT FOR SURE.
I CAN'T TELL YOU YET, SO LET'S JUST LEAVE IT AT THAT. I KNOW YOU'RE AN IDIOT, BUT YOU'RE JUST GOING TO HAVE TO MAKE DO.
IDIOT...
WELL... IT'S TRUE. I JUST CAN'T THINK ON THE SAME LEVEL AS YOU PEOPLE...
I feel like such a child

SHAME
EVERYONE ELSE THINKS LIKE AN ADULT...
CONSPIRACY...
SCHEMES...
TAK
FIRST CLASS SECURITY?!


I FOUND IT!
Hook-Eye

THIS IS THE MAIN DATABASE WHERE ALL OF THE IMPORTANT FILES ARE STORED!
CLICK!

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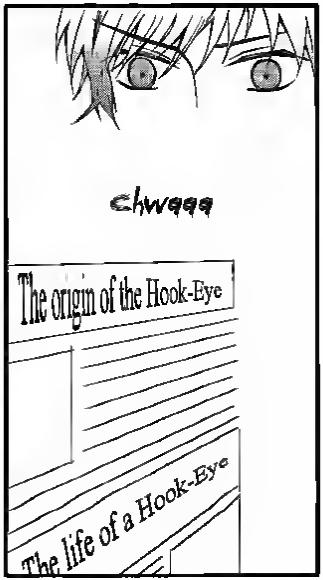
...
SHOCK...
Ack!

Kyaaa!
Wh-wh-what are you doing?!
...
THAT SLIMY PRESIDENT...! HE PROMISED HE'D DELETE THAT...!
UWAH!


chwaaa
The origin of the Hook-Eye
The life of a Hook-Eye

Weakness of Hook-Eye

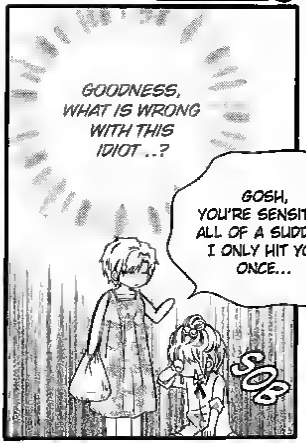
THIS IS BAD...
IF THAT BOY DOESN'T TAKE THE BAIT, THEN WE MIGHT...
OI. THOSE KIDS HAVE BEEN IN THERE FOR A WHILE NOW. DON'T YOU THINK WE SHOULD LET THEM OUT?
YEAH, WE SHOULD. THEY'RE PROBABLY DYING TO GET OUT BY NOW.

SMACK
...
...
PERHAPS WE WAITED TOO LONG...
HOLDING TO PREVENT FROM BEING HIT
MY MY, THE LADY HAS A TEMPER! BUT SHE WOULDN'T DARE HIT HER PRECIOUS SUNBAE WITH A MEAT GRILL, RIGHT?
YOU SAID YOU'D ERASE THAT PHOTO! WHY DIDN'T YOU KEEP YOUR PROMISE, YOU LYING LITTLE BASTARD?!

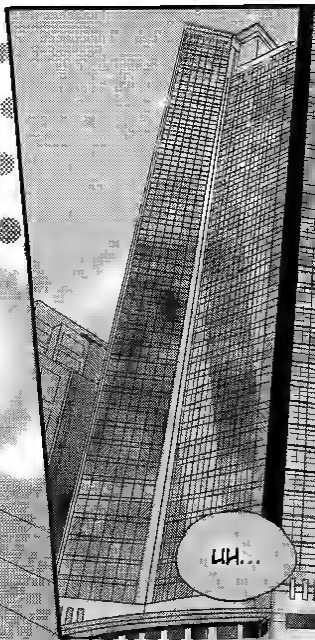
AH...
I'M A WHAT, NOW?
BUT IT'S SO CUTE.
Why would I delete it?
YOU WANT SOME MORE CUTE BEATINGS, THEN?!
CLANG
ALRIGHT, ALRIGHT! JUST PUT DOWN THE GRILL SO WE CAN TALK IT OUT.
THE SCARY PART IS THAT HE'S PROBABLY GOT SOME OTHER KIND OF BLACKMAIL UP HIS SLEEVE.
OF COURSE.
HEY, WHAT ARE YOU TWO BABBLING ABOUT? GIVE ME A HAND, WHY DON'T YA!
SNICK
GET BACK HERE... PERVERT!
SNICK
OW!
...

MOM, HERE, HAVE SOME PORK!
CLUNK
THAT PERVERTED PRESIDENT! I'LL MAKE HIM PAY FOR THAT!
DEBT OR NO, I'LL WIPE THAT CARD CLEAN!
WHERE DID YOU GET THE MONEY FOR ALL THIS? YOU EVEN GOT ONE FOR YOURSELF.
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. EAT AS MUCH AS YOU WANT, I'LL BUY MORE TOMORROW.
DON'T TALK WITH YOUR MOUTH FULL!
SMACK

WHAT A JERK... HOW CAN I BEAR TO LOOK AT TAE-HU NOW?
Drip
Drip


GOODNESS, WHAT IS WRONG WITH THIS IDIOT...?
GOSH, YOU'RE SENSITIVE ALL OF A SUDDEN. I ONLY HIT YOU ONCE...
SOB

T... TAE-HU?!


UH...

LIM...

COME HERE.
STAGGER
Kyaaaaa
...
IS LEMONADE ALRIGHT WITH YOU?

YOU SAID THAT THERE WAS SOMETHING YOU WANTED TO TALK ABOUT...
THE CANDLES, THE FLOWERS... W-WHAT IS ALL THIS?
NOT ONLY THAT, BUT TAE-HU LOOKS ABSOLUTELY HAWT!
PLEASE BRING OUT THE MAIN DISHES NOW.
THAT'S RIGHT. I CALLED YOU BECAUSE I HAD SOMETHING TO DISCUSS.
LATELY I'VE BEEN FEELING A BIT CONFUSED.
Have some more lemonade.
CONFUSED?
YOU KNOW, IF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THAT PHOTO, I FEEL VERY VICTIMIZED ABOUT THAT AND...
NOT THAT.

AH, THEN YOU MUST BE TALKING ABOUT THE CIRCLE. YOU WANTED TO DISCUSS HOW TO LEAVE...
THAT'S NOT IT EITHER.
TH-THEN WHAT ARE YOU CONFUSED ABOUT?
TAP
...YOU.

ME?
...OR MAYBE YOUR HOOK-EYE
HONESTLY, IT'S OVERWHELMING.
I'VE TRIED TO DENY IT, BUT...
YOUR RARE ABILITY DREW ME IN. I JUST CAN'T KEEP MY MIND OFF YOU...
IT'S GOTTEN TO THE POINT WHERE I THOUGHT ABOUT YOU 24/7, FROM THE MOMENT I WOKE TO THE MOMENT I WENT TO SLEEP

CAN YOU TELL ME WHAT'S GOING ON?

THE MAIN DISH HAS ARRIVED.
STARTLE
AH!
CLANK
HERE...
CLASH
TIP
ACK!
SWOOSH

STEAK!
THANK...
TAKE THAT RUBBISH AWAY FROM ME.
TA-DAK

YOU KNOW I'M A VEGETARIAN. HOW COULD YOU DISRESPECT ME LIKE THIS?
BUT SIR, YOU CLEARLY SAID...
WHAT?! I HAD NO IDEA...
GLARE
Y-YES SIR. WHAT SHALL I BRING FOR THE LADY?
FREEZE

YOU KNOW...

COME TO THINK OF IT...

THAT ALMOST SOUNDED LIKE A LOVE CONFESSION...

WAH! THAT'S RIDICULOUS!!!
WHY WOULD HE DO THAT...? EVEN AFTER HE SAW THAT EMBARRASSING PICTURE! WHY? WHY?!
Belated panic
YOU CAN EAT IT.
SFX: BOOM
IF YOU HAD BEEN A VEGETARIAN LIKE ME...
THEN MAYBE I...

...
NO, LET'S JUST LEAVE IT AT THAT. JUST TAKE IT.
THEN MAYBE YOU WHAT?!
UM, MISS? WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO TAKE IT AWAY, OR NO?
SFX: GULP
...
UM... YOU CAN TAKE MINE AWAY, TOO...
A-A-AS OF TODAY, I'VE S-STOPPED EATING MEAT...
HOARSE VOICE

Y-YEAH. I-I ACTUALLY DON'T REALLY L-LIKE MEAT THAT MUCH.
EVEN IF I DID, I NEED TO LOSE SOME WEIGHT, SO S-S-STOPPING SHOULD GET ME MOTIVATED .. YOU KNOW HOW IT IS ..
HA... HA...
WILL YOU BE OKAY?
OH REALLY?
Y-YES.
SFX TREMBLE TREMBLE
HE MUST HAVE TAKEN THE BAIT. NAMU'S LOCATION IS AT TAE-HU'S HOUSE.

JUST AS I EXPECTED.
SO HE'S STARTED TO MOVE.
PHASE 1
OF OPERATION DEBT
REMUNERATION IS NOW
UNDER WAY.

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M.A.X
MONEY ACE X

WE ARE PROCEEDING AS FAST AS WE CAN.
I EXPECT EVERYTHING IS GOING ACCORDING TO THE PLAN?
YES.
IF YOU GUYS FAIL THIS TIME ROUND, MAX WILL BE SHUT DOWN IMMEDIATELY.
YOU WILL HAVE TO BEAR ALL THE RESPONSIBILITY.

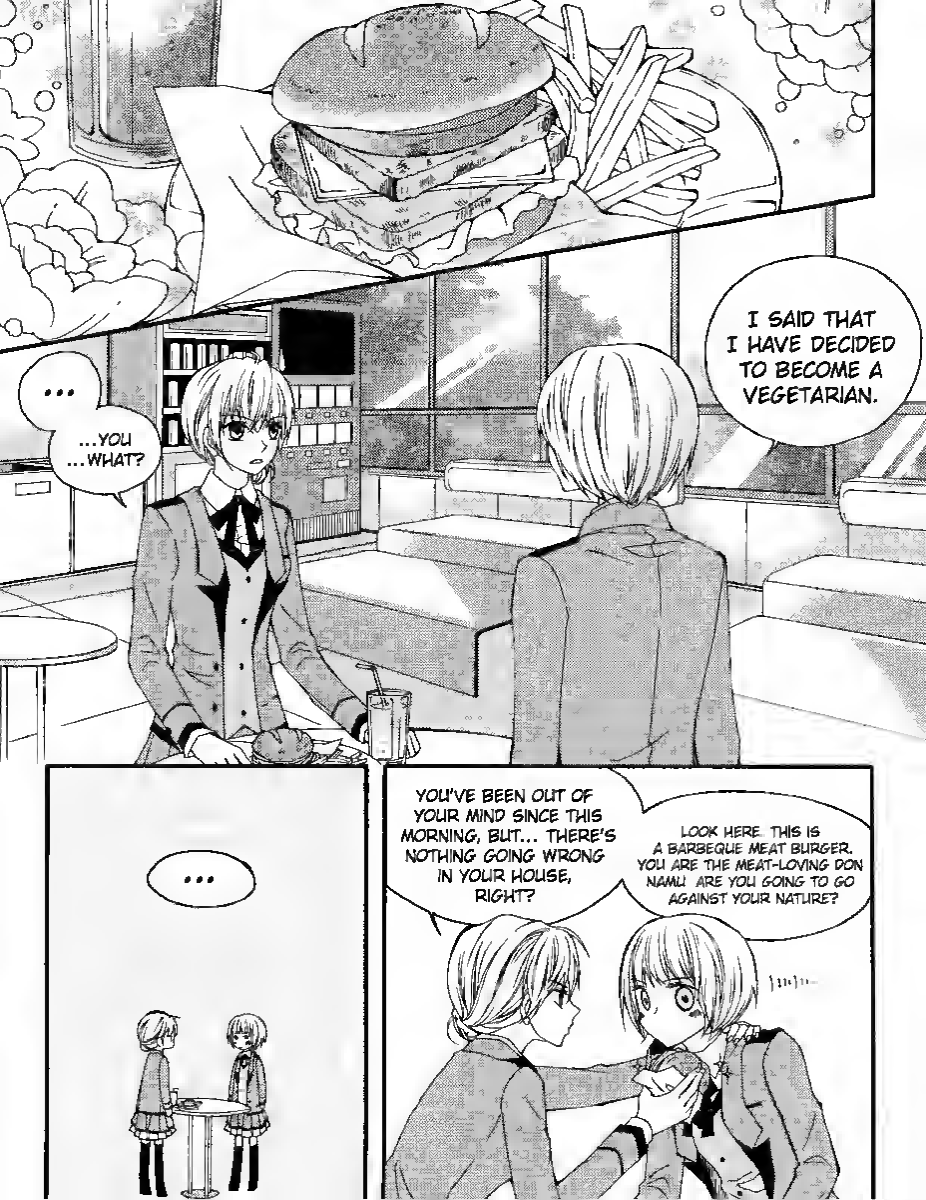
I AM PREPARED.
...SHOW ME WHAT YOU CAN DO.

I KNOW THAT THE PRESSURE THAT YOU GET FROM HEADQUARTERS IS LEAVING YOU WITH NO CHOICE.
Crack
BUT THIS PROJECT...
IF IT'S LIKE THIS, DON NAMU SEEMS REALLY PITIFUL...
ARE YOU OKAY WITH THAT?
You care for that member quite a bit

YOU KNOW THAT MAX IS NUMBER ONE IN MY LIFE.
DON NAMU AND THE OTHER MEMBERS ARE MY TOP PRIORITY. DO YOU HAVE FURTHER QUESTIONS?
HMMM...
LET ME SEE...
I KNOW THAT YOU CONSIDER DON NAMU PRECIOUS BECAUSE OF MAX, BUT...

AHHH- I GOT CAUGHT BY ANOTHER SURPRISE POP QUIZ ATTACK.
HEY, NAMU. I HEARD THAT A NEW BARBEQUE BURGER JOINT OPENED UP AROUND THE CORNER. DO YOU WANT TO CHEER OURSELVES UP WITH...
...
HMMM? IF YOU HAD EVEN BEEN A VEGETARIAN, PERHAPS I...
PERHAPS...

"PERHAPS"
"PERHAPS WHAT?"
"PERHAPS"
"PERHAPS I MIGHT HAVE ASKED YOU TO GO OUT WITH ME."
POP
Blu
sh
NO WAY...
NAMU!
Stagger
My heart is
Shop
C-COULD IT BE?


I SAID THAT I HAVE DECIDED TO BECOME A VEGETARIAN.
...
...YOU ...WHAT?
...
YOU'VE BEEN OUT OF YOUR MIND SINCE THIS MORNING, BUT... THERE'S NOTHING GOING WRONG IN YOUR HOUSE, RIGHT?
LOOK HERE. THIS IS A BARBEQUE MEAT BURGER. YOU ARE THE MEAT-LOVING DON NAMJ. ARE YOU GOING TO GO AGAINST YOUR NATURE?

HMM...

I-I'VE SURPASSED THAT! I WON'T GIVE IN! YOU JUST HAVE IT ALL FOR YOURSELF!
SHOVE!

I'M GOING TO BECOME TAEK-HU'S IDEAL GIRL.
Taek-hu Over Meat
Surpassed? This girl who likes meat better than rice? Surpass food?

BUT WHY IS IT THAT I HAVEN'T SEEN TAEK-HU LATELY?
LOOK AROUND
I NEED TO THINK ABOUT MY WELL-BEING. SHOULD I BECOME VEGETARIAN TOO?
HEY, EVERYONE! THEY'VE STARTED A BARBEQUE PARTY IN THE GYM!
SIZZLE
SIZZLE
EHHHH?!!

WELL-BEING OR WHAT, NAMU! LET'S EAT BEFORE IT'S ALL GONE!
AS EXPECTED OF A RICH KID'S SCHOOL, THEY CAN THROW A BARBEQUE PARTY LIKE THIS IF THEY WANT TO.
To show off their money
EVEN THE PRINCIPAL AND THE HOMEROOM TEACHER?
BUT WHO'S THE ONE WHO THREW THIS PARTY?
GULP
THE SWEET SCENT OF MEAT EVERYWHERE...
I'M NOT SURE.
EVEN THE SAUSAGE THAT I REALLY LIKE!!
THIS IS AN AWESOME SURPRISE PARTY.
can't resist

SO CHERRY AND HER GROUP WILL THROW THESE PARTIES AT SUDDEN TIMES. WITHOUT WARNING.
TAEK-HU!
UH... YEAH...
THROW
UWEH! HOW DID THIS GET INTO MY HAND?
...
YOU CAN EAT WHAT YOU WANT.
!
HERE. I GOT THIS FOR MY MISSION, BUT YOU KNOW THAT I WON'T EAT IT.
...
BA-BUMP

BA-BLIMP ooo
"WHAT IS THIS FEELING?"
BA-BLIMP ooo
Grab
THROW

WILL YOU... BE ALRIGHT?
NOD
I WON'T REGRET THIS DECISION.
What Namu only sees
SINCE TAEK-HU IS ALSO COOL LIKE THIS EVEN IN DISGUISE.
Who the hell is that beggar?
ARE YOU SURE?
Sizzle
HUH?
Sizzle
Cool
Wipe
H-HEY, DO YOU WANT TO GO GET A DRINK?
I have to get out of here..
Shoom

SINCE YOU'RE A VEGETARIAN NOW, YOU REALLY ARE THE GIRL OF MY DREAMS!
THIS SORT OF DEVELOP-MENT...
WILL YOU BE MY GIRLFRIEND?
AHHH! WHAT DO I DO? I'VE ALREADY PREPARED MY HEART...
Blush
ACK!
BITCH, I'VE BEEN TRYING TO CONTACT YOU ABOUT THE MEETING SINCE THIS MORNING...
HE TOLD ME TO GET YOU SINCE HE COULDN'T GET INTO CONTACT WITH YOU...
EH?
ALRIGHT, NOW THAT TAEK-HU BROUGHT NAMU, WE CAN START THE MEETING!

SINCE WHEN DID TAEK-HU START TO OBEDIENTLY LISTEN TO THE PRESIDENT?
Grumble
SO WE WEREN'T GOING TO GET A DRINK AFTER ALL.
YOU SAY IT'S A MEETING, BUT WHAT KIND OF MEETING IS THIS?
OF COURSE, IT'S A MEETING ABOUT "CLEARING THE DEBT OR DIE TRYING".
SO, I WROTE YOUR SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK. YOU HAVE TO ATTEND AT LEAST 10 AUCTIONS, ENOUGH TO MAKE YOU FEEL SWEAT
I'VE SENT THE SCHEDULE TO DON NAMU'S CELLPHONE
ALL OF A SUDDEN, I HAVE SUCH A STOMACH-ACHE...
LISTEN TO ALL OF IT. IT'S ABOUT YOUR TICKET FOR TAKING DAYS OFF.
TICKET FOR BREAKS!
Now I can run away whenever I want.
NOW THAT YOU HAVE THAT, YOU'RE GOING TO WORK LIKE A SLAVE.
SORRY I'M LATE. I WAS ENJOYING THE PARTY OUTSIDE...

WELL, IF YOU ARE GOING TO WORK HARD, THEN YOU HAVE TO NOURISH YOURSELF, SO I BOUGHT A US A SNACK.
Ta-da!
Plentiful
SOMEHOW I ONLY CHOSE THINGS THAT OUR YOUNGEST MEMBER LIKES.
KEBOB, CHICKEN, PORK, SAUSAGES, AND...
I EVEN WENT TO THE BUTCHER'S TO BUY SOME PORK HOCK. IT'S SHINING WITH A DELICIOUS SPARKLE.
Good boy.
Pork hock?
THE CRUEL TEMPTATION OF MEAT IS ATTACKING ME FROM EVERY SIDE TODAY...
I-I KNOW THAT YOU'RE TRYING TO BRIBE ME INTO WORKING HARD... I-I WON'T FALL FOR THAT..
I-I CAN'T. I THINK I'M GOING TO LOSE MY MIND.
HUFF
HUFF

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? YOU'RE "FAMILY" TO US.
E-EVEN SO, IT HAS BECOME SOMETHING LIKE KIDNAPPING?
Haaah
HUH?!
So this kid has gotten smarter
Attention on the food
EVEN SO, PRESIDENT, YOU SURELY WERE NOT EXACTLY CRAZY FROM WORRY.
PERHAPS YOU ARE MORE ON THE VERGE OF PURE INSANITY INSTEAD?
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? I WAS NOT EVEN CLOSE TO BECOMING INSANE!
RIOT
YOU SAID YOU WOULD CALL HOMELAND SECURITY, CAUSED A BIG FUSS, SAID YOU'D CALL THE FBI OVER, PRACTICALLY HAD A SEIZURE ALL THE WHILE...
RIOT
WHY DO YOU BRING UP SUCH EMBARRASSING THINGS?
Everything is laid out
HUH?
SHE WAS HERE JUST A MINUTE AGO. WHERE...?
HE JUST LEFT, TAKING THE TICKET WITH HER.
WHAT?!
OH HEY, SO YOU WERE HERE?

SLIP
YES I WAS. BECAUSE OF DON NAMU, I'VE BEEN SIDELINED MORE AND MORE...
I WON'T BE IGNORED ANY LONGER.
SHALL WE TALK ABOUT SOMETHING IMPORTANT FOR A MOMENT?

...
I KNOW ABOUT THE HOOK-EYE'S WEAKNESS. ALSO, HOW TO USE IT...
WHAT'S THIS, WEAKNESS? THIS IS THE FIRST I'VE HEARD OF IT.
YESTERDAY WHILE TRAPPED, I LOOKED AT THE TIOP-SECRET FOLDERS. HOOK -EYE'S WEAK POINTS...
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, THAT GIRL CAN'T LAST UNDER PRESSURE.
TO TAKE AWAY SOMETHING OR GIVE THEM MORE STRESS, THEN THE ABILITY WILL DIMINISH.
I'M NOT A HOOK-EYE.
I CAN'T BUY ANYTHING BECAUSE OF THE PRESSURE.

IT WOULD BE FATAL, TAKING AWAY SOMETHING THAT SHE LIKES, THEREBY GIVING HER STRESS SO THAT HER ABILITY WILL DIMINISH.
...
BY CHANCE, THE THING THAT DON NAMU REALLY LIKES...
MEAT CONSUMPTION.
BANG
DAMN. THE ANSWER IS TOO OBVIOUS!
THAT'S WHY...
SHOOF

PLEASE GIVE ME WRITTEN PROOF OF MY MEMBERSHIP.
OR ELSE I'LL BOTHER DON NAMU UNTIL GRADUATION, AND IF THAT HAPPENS...
THAT'S WHY... IF YOU KEEP DON NAMU FROM EATING MEAT AND GIVE HER A LOT OF STRESS, SHE WON'T BE ABLE TO BUY ANYTHING... IS THAT IT?
HEH
HA HA
AHAHA...
HAHAHA...

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THE PRICE STARTS FROM ONE MILLION.
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NEXT IS THE WORK OF PAINTER PENG SI.
I RAN AWAY IN ORDER TO CONTAIN MYSELF, BUT THE CITY IS FULL OF...
Beef Soup
Potato Stew
Meat Buffet
THERE'S NO WHERE SAFE!
I'M FORCED TO GO WITH IT...

AS LONG AS I DON'T WASTE MONEY!!!
YES! SOLD TO NO.41!!
STRAIGHT UP
41
7
JUST HOW MANY THINGS IS THAT GIRL BUYING?
SHE DOESN'T HAVE A RICH AURA, BUT PERHAPS SHE'S FILTHY RICH?
SET DOWN

I'M BACK.
HAAA
HAAA
SO YOU JUST CAME BACK FROM AN ART AUCTION. CAN YOU GIVE ME THE ADDRESS?
NO, IF IT'S OKAY, CAN I GO HOME? SOMEHOW, I'M REALLY TIRED...
SURE, SURE. GO AHEAD.
Pfew

WHAT... EVEN WITH THE STRESS, SO MANY THINGS...
WE WERE EXPECTING YOU'D TO SEARCH THE COMPUTER.
AS YOU SAID, THAT NAMU IS WEAK TO BURDEN. WITH A DEBT OF 30 MILLION, RUNNING AWAY WOULD BE LIKELY TOO.
SO WE HAD TO FIND A SOLUTION.

SO WE THOUGHT, NO MATTER HOW RIDICULOUS A "MEAT PROHIBITION" OPERATION. WITH THE ABSENCE OF THE TABOO ITEM, OBSESSION WOULD GROW AND IN THE END SHE WOULD ERUPT.
THE MAD IDEA TO LET HER SPEND MONEY LIKE CRAZY WAS COURTESY OF THE PRESIDENT, AND THE PRESENT SITUATION IS EXACTLY AS PLANNED.
CHECK!
AH. WHILE I WASN'T THERE.
TOK-
THEN, THE WEAKNESS OR WHATNOT OF THE HOOK-EYE WAS ALL A LIE...
CHECKMATE.

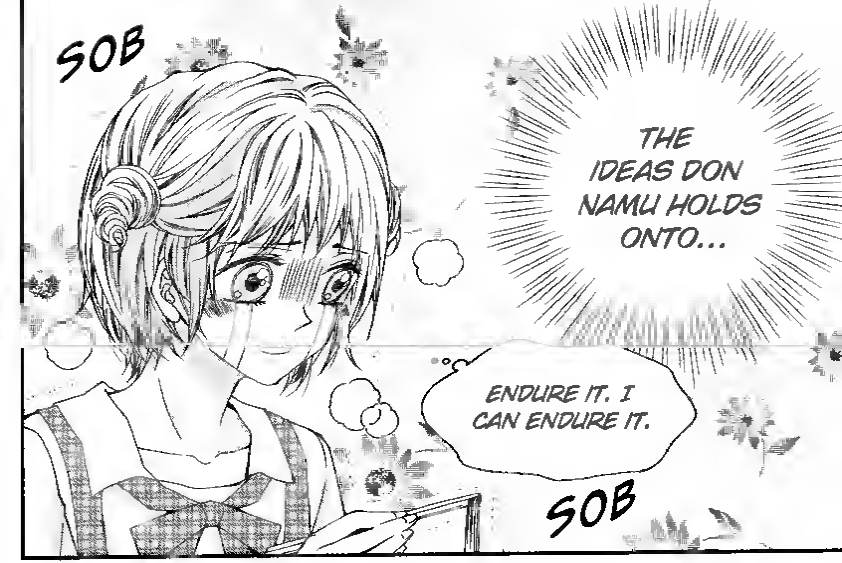
YOU! FEIGNING DEFEAT...
HAHAHA!
SO THAT'S THE WAY IT WAS... I WAS WONDERING WHY YOU WERE TESTING HOW I'D FIND SUCH AN OBVIOUS FILE...
THAT SORT OF TRAP, I IMMEDIATELY FIGURED IT OUT. I ONLY WANTED TO KNOW WHY.
ALRIGHT, I'VE GOT IT. SO YOU NEEDED SOMEONE TO PUT DON NAMU UNDER PRESSURE SO SHE'D BUY A LOT...
HOWEVER, YOU COULD HAVE DIRECTLY GOTTEN ME TO DO THIS, SO WHY DECEIVE ME?
HE REALLY IS A CLEVER GUY...
DIRECTLY...

TO HARSHLY PREVENT NAMU FROM EATING MEAT, I CAN'T DO SUCH AN EVIL THING.
THAT SORT OF EVIL ACT, ONLY AN AWFUL JERK LIKE YOU COULD DO SUCH THING.
THAT'S RIGHT. THAT SORT OF DIRTY DEED SUITS YOU JUST RIGHT.
WHAT NONSENSE IS THIS?
The vicious people who control things from behind...
BESIDES YOU'VE BEEN DOING YOUR JOB QUITE WELL WASN'T THAT GYM BARBEQUE PARTY YOUR DOING?
...
...CLEVER GUY...
OKAY, IT'S TIME. WE SHOULD PROMOTE YOU TO A FULL MEMBER.
BUT ON THE CONDITION THAT YOU CONTINUE TO PRESSURE DON NAMU.

T-TAEK-HU! HEY! OVER HERE!!

AH.
wow, he's cool
Kyaaa- who's that?
SORRY, I'M LATE, AREN'T I? LET'S GO EAT.
KYAAAAAA
Stagger
Y-YEAH!
W-WHAT DO I DO! HE'S DROP DEAD GORGEOUS... IF IT'S LIKE THIS...
COULD THIS BE A DATE?
Even though there was no mention of one

AH! I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS IS REAL!
UH...
TAEK-HU...
Slurp
DO WE HAVE TO HAVE NAENG-MYUN AT A MEAT RESTAURANT?
The smell is killing me
THIS RESTAURANT'S NAENG-MYUN IS PARTICULARLY GOOD.
AH... I-IF YOU PUT IT THAT WAY...
Sizzle
Sizzle
THANKS...
FOR THE HELP...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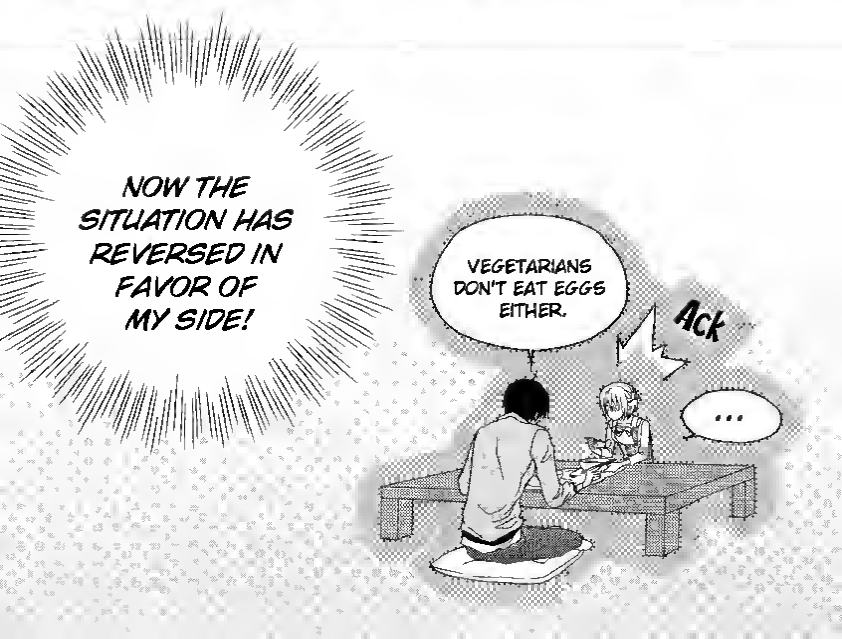
THE IDEAS DON NAMU HOLDS ONTO...
ENDURE IT. I CAN ENDURE IT.
SOB


NOW THE SITUATION HAS REVERSED IN FAVOR OF MY SIDE!
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Heh heh...
IT'S... IT'S RAINING MONEY!
AT THIS RATE, WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO FULLY REPAY OUR DEBT.
THIS IS UNBELIEVABLE... THE PROFIT WE'RE ACCUMULATING FROM DON NAMU'S PURCHASES IS DOUBLING EVERY WEEK!

TEE HEE!
HEY, STOP PLAYING AROUND WITH THE PROJECTOR AND COME TAKE A LOOK AT THESE NUMBERS
WHAT DID I TELL YOU?
SQUEEZE~
My money's mine!
NOW, BECAUSE NAMU IS NO LONGER SPENDING SO MUCH MONEY ON MEAT, HER ARTIFACT PURCHASES HAVE SKYROCKETED, AND SO, TOO, HAVE THE PROFITS
IT'S A GOOD THING DON NAMU FITS THAT STEREOTYPE.
TO HAVE THE IMPECCABLE FORESIGHT AND KNOW THAT GIRLS UNDER STRESS GO SHOPPING... I REALLY AM A GENIUS!
Hee hee
PROUD~

SHE ONLY BUYS THE BEST OF THE GOOD STUFF NOW.
Although we still get quite a few strange or mysterious odds and ends
THIS PROJECT WOULD BE A COMPLETE SUCCESS IF IT WEREN'T FOR ONE TINY ISSUE ..
GRRRRRRR
...
GRRRRR
OH, OUR BABY IS BACK FROM SHOPPING AGAIN! HERE, LET ME HELP YOU CARRY...

CRUNCH
...
...
GRRR
Hiii!

AUGH!!
OKAY, I MUST HAVE MISHEARD THAT. DID YOU JUST SAY DON NAMU BIT YOU?
YOU'VE TURNED HER INTO A MONSTER WITH ALL THAT PENT-UP STRESS!
OH, it's not that bad
I was only going to let her carry the purse

Hey, Seo-Hwi... I-I think I need some more disinfectant. Her spit is still on me... I can feel the germs...
OH, HUSH.
You're just overreacting as usual, aren't you?
...
GOOD GIRL.. HERE, HAVE A CUP OF YUMMY COCOA AND TRY TO CALM DOWN...
SHAKE
SHAKE
THIS IS YOUR DOING, TAE-HU. HOW CAN YOU LIVE WITH YOURSELF FOR DOING THIS TO HER?
I told you not to overdo it.
...ISN'T THIS WHAT YOU WANTED?
IF YOU ASK ME, I'D SAY I DID MY JOB PERFECTLY.

WELL, TO BE FAIR, I DON'T HAVE TO BE THE LEAST BIT FIRM DON NAMU JUST DOES WHATEVER I TELL HER TO.
BUT OUR INCOME HAS CLEARLY INCREASED, SO THE METHOD IS EFFECTIVE. I SHALL HAVE TO PUSH HER EVEN HARDER NOW
So we can pay the debt sooner
DID YOU HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME YESTERDAY?
T-TAE-HU!
SOMEONE TOLD ME THEY SAW YOU STANDING OUTSIDE A BARBEQUE RESTAURANT YESTERDAY.
SUDDENLY BRIGHT
AH! I WAS JUST SMELLING THE COFFEE, A BIT...
OH, YOU COLD-BLOODED, HEARTLESS BASTARD...
HEH... HE'S A NATURAL SADIST. DON NAMU IS AS HELPLESS AS A FISH THROWN TO A CAT.
He's kinda cute
...

THIS IS NOT GOING TO WORK. THAT POOR KID WILL WEAR HERSELF DRY. SHE NEEDS A BREAK
STEAM
ALRIGHT. DON NAMU, YOU'VE BEEN WORKING HARD ALL WEEK, SO WE'RE GONNA HAVE A VACATION THIS WEEKEND.
IT'S A ONE-NIGHT, TWO-DAY MOUNTAIN TRIP, SO GET YOUR THINGS READY. THAT IS ALL!

A MOUNTAIN TRIP?
Well that was spontaneous
WOW...

A MOUNTAIN TRIP... OH MY GOSH...
I'VE SEEN THOSE ON TV... WHERE COLLEGE STUDENTS GO AND STAY AT A HOSTEL OR VILLA, SIT AROUND A CAMPFIRE, PLAY GAMES, EAT BARBEQUE, AND...
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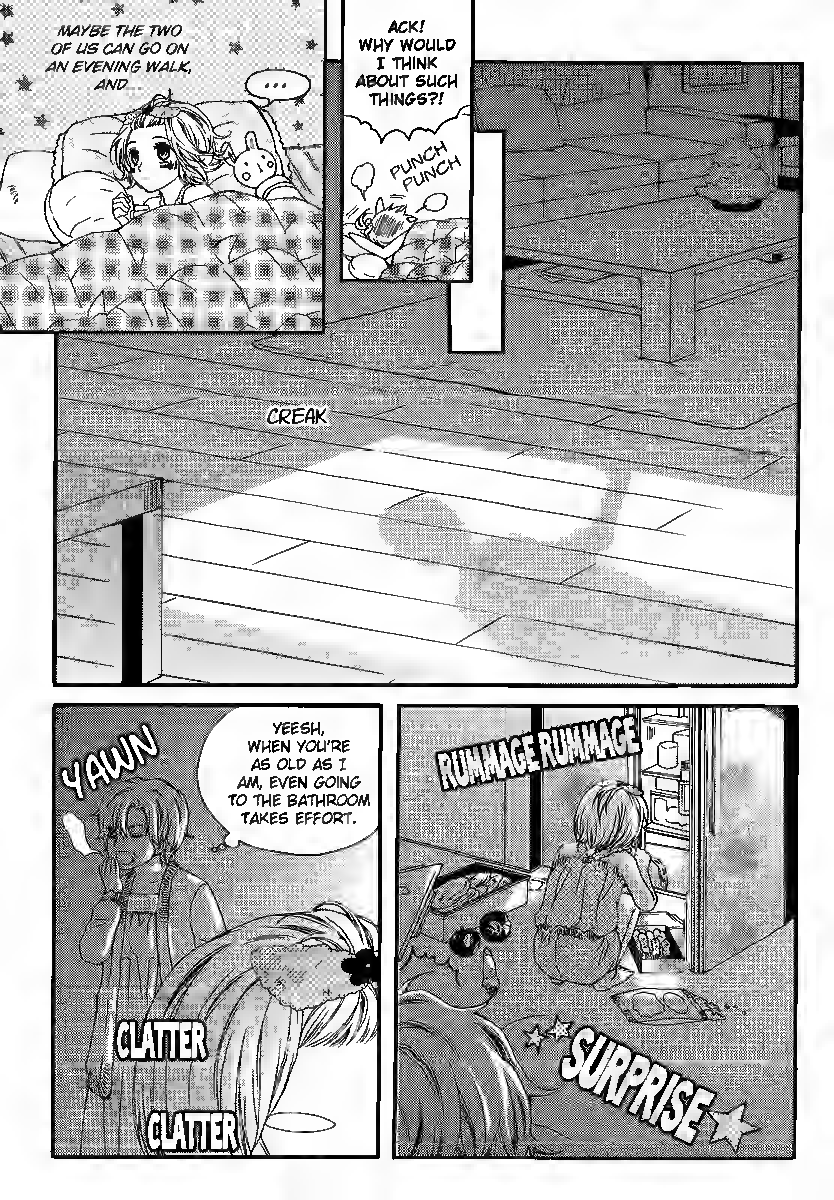
지글
OH RIGHT, I CAN'T HAVE BARBEQUE.
KYAH!
BUT STILL, A TWO DAY, ONE NIGHT VACATION WITH TAE-HU!


MAYBE THE TWO OF US CAN GO ON AN EVENING WALK, AND...
...
ACK! WHY WOULD I THINK ABOUT SUCH THINGS?!
PUNCH PUNCH
CREAK
YAWN
YEESH, WHEN YOU'RE AS OLD AS I AM, EVEN GOING TO THE BATHROOM TAKES EFFORT.
CLATTER
CLATTER
RUMMAGE RUMMAGE
SURPRISE

SNORE~
MUNCH
NA-NAM!?
MUNCH
Still sleeping
SWAY
SWAY

SIGH~
YOU SEEMED FINE WHEN WE LEFT... DO YOU FEEL SICK?
DIZZY
NO, I'VE ACTUALLY BEEN REALLY BLOATED LATELY... AND TIRED, TOO, NO MATTER HOW MUCH I SLEEP...
BUT, MORE IMPORTANTLY...
D-DID YOU GUYS REALLY NEED TO FLY HERE BY HELICOPTER?!
AND I CERTAINLY DIDN'T REALIZE THIS HIGH-RISE WAS GOING TO BE OUR 'MOUNTAIN VACATION' SPOT!

I MEAN, EVEN THE HELICOPTER RIDE WAS A SHOCK, BUT THIS...?
U-UM. I THOUGHT WE HAD A 30 MILLION DEBT .. HOW CAN WE AFFORD TO TAKE A LUXURY VACATION? WE NEED TO BE SAVING EVERY PENNY...
TREMBLE
DON'T WORRY. BOTH THE HELICOPTER AND THE PENTHOUSE BELONG TO MAX.
BEHOLD, THIS IS MY FORTUNE. IT'S A MAX MEMBER-ONLY PRIVILEGE.
THERE ARE 6 BATHROOMS SO MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME.

HOWEVER, THE HIGHLIGHT OF THIS PAD...
GASP
Open
OUR VERY OWN BEACH-STYLE POOL AND SPA VERANDA!

OH GOD... AM I DREAMING?
IMPRESSED? AREN'T YOU GLAD YOU JOINED MAX?
YEAH, BUT...
AREN'T WE IN THE MIDDLE OF SEOUL...?
EH?
I WAS HOPING FOR A PEACEFUL, ROMANTIC TRAIN RIDE...
TO GO TO THE COUNTRYSIDE AND STAY AT A PENSION OR PRIVATE LODGE AND HAVE A CAMPFIRE AT NIGHT...
HMPH, A TRAIN RIDE TO A GERM-INFESTED LAND OF GRIME, HUH? YOU EXPECT ME TO GIVE UP THIS LUXURY AND SIT UNDER A SHOWER OF BUGS, DO YOU?
GO PICK OUT A ROOM AND LIE DOWN, OR SOMETHING.
TUTH

BUT WAIT, THIS ISN'T EVEN CLOSE TO A MOUNTAIN...
Grab
EH?
Glare
ABRUPTLY

S-STOP. DON'T YOU FUCKING TOUCH ME.
Flee
Silent
Step Step
AND WITH ALL THIS LUXURIOUS LUXURY, HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO GET MY NIGHTTIME STROLL WITH TAE-HU? I CAN'T EVEN REST COMFORTABLY...
YEESH, WHAT CRAWLED UP HIS ASS? ACTING LIKE I'M DIRTY OR SOMETHING... HOW CLEAN HIS HANDS MUST BE.

Ah♡
OH, SORRY, YOU WANTED THIS ROOM. I'LL GO FIND ANOTHER ONE.
NO, STAY. IT'S YOURS.
AH, IT'S FINE, I'LL JUST...
LIFT
THIS PENTHOUSE HAS 6 BATHROOMS, BUT ONLY 4 BEDROOMS. CAN YOU BELIEVE IT?
AND SINCE I'M THE ONLY MEMBER OF MAX WHO DOESN'T REALLY DO MUCH WORK, I GOT SINGLED OUT OF A ROOM. JUST TAKE THE BED.

I WILL SLEEP ON THE COUCH.
The Princess has to sleep in a bed.
ERCÉ
BESIDES, I CAN'T RELAX IN SUCH A LUXURIOUS BED. SEE, WHEN I LIE DOWN, I GET HIVES...
SHE FELL ASLEEP AS SOON AS HER HEAD HIT THE PILLOW?
I'D HAVE THOUGHT SHE WAS DEAD IF IT WEREN'T FOR HER SNORING
SNOOORE
...
POOR THING. SHE CAN'T EVEN SLEEP PROPERLY. SHE MUST BE GOING THROUGH A LOT RIGHT NOW.

...WHY ARE YOU LOOKING AT ME? THIS WAS YOUR IDEA, YOU KNOW.
...
...
YEAH, SURE. ANYWAY, THIS IS NAMU'S VACATION, SO WE SHOULD LET HER SLEEP AND BUY GROCERIES AT THE SUPERMARKET DOWNSTAIRS. THE REFRIGERATOR IS COMPLETELY EMPTY.
UM, WE CAN GET DELIVERY FOR THINGS LIKE THAT. WHY DON'T YOU GO WITH THE PRESIDENT OR SOMETHING...?
THE PRESIDENT CAN'T GO OUT IN CROWDED PLACES.
WHAT IS THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?
UH, WELL...
THE PRESIDENT HAS HAD PREVIOUS BAD EXPERIENCES... THOUGH IT HAS GOTTEN BETTER
EXPERIENCES?

YOU'VE SEEN HIM HE'S ALWAYS WEARING GLOVES. HE'S GOT...
GERMOPHOBIA. ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO PHYSICAL CONTACT.
?
WHAT?
HE HASN'T SHOWN SYMPTOMS IN A WHILE, BUT WE CAN NEVER REALLY TELL WITH HIM.
And Don Nanny did arrive him recently
WITH THE PRESSURE FROM HEADQUARTERS, THE STRAIN IS PROBABLY EVEN WORSE. COMBINED WITH PSYCHOLOGICAL PRESSURE, HE MIGHT HAVE EXPERIENCED SOME KIND OF RELAPSE.
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT.
RUB
RUB

SHOWERED AND CHANGED
SNORE
SHIVER
SHAKE
SHAKE
I WAS AFRAID THIS WOULD HAPPEN.
THIS EXPLAINS WHY I WAS SO SENSITIVE ABOUT THE BITING.
SUDDENLY GETS UP
...

CALM DOWN. I'M NOT COMPLETELY SURE THAT I'VE HAD A RELAPSED. RELAX... RELAX...
Mumble
Mumble
MEAT...

...
GETS UP
AUGH! DON'T SCARE ME LIKE THAT!
UH, DON NAMU, WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
STOMP

UM, CAN YOU CHECK THIS OUT SEPARATELY?
ARE YOU SECRETLY BUYING EMERGENCY RATIONS TO EAT BEHIND DON NAMU'S BACK?

HOW DID YOU...
I GOT CAUGHT TRYING TO BUY PORK RIBS YOU SHOULD HAVE SEEN NAMU'S FACE..
YOU DON'T NEED TO GO TO THE TROUBLE. DON NAMU WON'T TOUCH ANY OF IT.
WHAT?
YOU HEARD ME. SHE LIKES ME TOO MUCH.

...
JEEZ
WELL...HE'S RIGHT. SHE'S DESPERATE FOR HIS APPROVAL, SO NO MATTER HOW MUCH WE PUT IT IN HER FACE, IT WON'T MATTER. THAT POOR, NAIVE IDIOT.
EVEN SO, THAT CONFIDENCE OF HIS IS PRETTY COCKY.
He didn't have to pull that kind of a lady-killer attitude.
IT'S SHAMELESS, BUT WE CAN'T DENY IT.
HEY... DON NAMU... COME ON, KIDDO.
RUMMAGE RUMMAGE
I TOLD YOU THAT REFRIGERATOR IS EMPTY.
COME ON, LOOK!

I'M GOING TO GO CRAZY. SHE'S NOT EVEN LISTENING TO ME.
PORK BELLY MEAT... RIB-EYE...
NO, WAIT, SHE'S STILL ASLEEP!
I CAN EVEN HEAR HER SLEEP-TALKING...
SLIDE OPEN
HEY... DON NAMU...
I-I'M SCARED. SHE'S STARTED SLEEP-WALKING BECAUSE WE'VE DEPRIVED HER OF MEAT.
Y-YOU HAVE TO GO BACK TO BED AND GET SOME SLEEP.
DAMN IT, I FEEL SO GUILTY NOW...
Shake
Shake
COME HERE .. GOOD GIRL... COME ON, COME OVER HERE A SECOND...

TURNS SHARPLY
CHICKEN.
HUH?
Poof
Poof
DROOL
I'M GOING··· TO EAT···
S-STAY BACK.
RI
GID
G-GET AWAY FROM ME!
Slap
Kyaa
SFX: GRAB

I HAVE TO WAKE HER UP.
I TOLD YOU...
NOT TO TOUCH ME...
I'M GOING TO EAT THE CHICKEN!
Glare

SFX: RIP
STEP

WE'RE BACK...

Help ME!!
You
(I can't let her fool you
She's having fun!)
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...
WHAT THE...
DID WE GET ROBBED WHILE WE WERE OUT?

WHOA, WHAT'S WITH THE MESS?
...
SUNBAE...?
UWAHHH! WHY ARE YOU SO OLD?!
S-SUNBAE?!
SHOCK
5 up 5 pound
S...SEO-HWI...
Y...YAE-MIN...

NNNGH...
Ah!
GETS
UP
W-WHAT'S GOING ON? WHY WAS I SLEEPING?
I THOUGHT I WAS

...
BUT... INSTEAD, I'M SITTING HERE IN A TUBE...
*SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS BASICALLY
CCTV*?
YOU HAVE THOSE INSTALLED HERE, TOO?
YES, WELL EXCEPT FOR THE BEDROOMS AND BATHROOMS.
...WOW, THAT'S A RATHER COMMUNIST SORT OF SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM.

WE HAVE TO DO IT THIS WAY FOR SECURITY. NOW TURN IT BACK 30 MINUTES SO WE CAN SEE WHAT HAPPENED...
I'M GOING TO EAT THE CHICKEN!
SMACK
CRASH
P-PLEASE WAKE UP, DON NAMU!
I'M NOT A CHICKEN! PLEASE JUST WAKE UP!
THUD

Only the whites of his eyes are showing
DO YOU HONESTLY THINK THAT TAE-HU WILL LIKE YOU IF YOU DON'T EAT MEAT?!
THAT'S RIGHT, JAE TAE-HU!
Sniff
Sniff...
TURN
March
TAE-HU WILL HATE ME...

... WHAT ON EARTH WAS THAT...?
S-SHE WAS LIKE A Z-ZOMBIE. THE LIVING DEAD. SHE WAS GONNA EAT ME...
Took a shower
"TAE-HUI WILL HATE ME..."
"TAE-HUI WILL HATE ME..."
"TAE-HUI WILL HATE ME..."
YEESH...

SHE'S GOING TOO FAR!
GOD! NO WONDER YOU'RE TERRIFIED.
MOST PEOPLE WOULD GO CRAZY IN A SITUATION LIKE THAT. I'M SURPRISED YOU THOUGHT TO SAVE YOUR LIFE BY USING TAE-HU'S NAME.
...
ALTHOUGH, IT'S SURPRISING THAT, EVEN WHEN SHE'S UNCONSCIOUS, DON NAMU REACTS TO TAE-HU'S NAME, BUT...

HOWEVER WHAT SURPRISES ME MOST IS HER OBSESSION WITH MEAT.
UNCONSCIOUSNESS AND CONSCIOUSNESS ARE CLOSELY INTERTWINED, SO I'VE HEARD OF PEOPLE ANSWERING QUESTIONS IN THEIR SLEEP, AND I KNOW ABOUT SLEEP TALKING AND STUFF, BUT .
IT SEEMS THAT NAMI'S HOOK-EYE ABILITY IS DEVELOPING IN A VERY UNIQUE WAY...
SHOULD WE RISK INCREASING HER STRESS LEVEL? WHAT IF SHE ALL OF A SUDDEN SNAPS AND TRIES TO EAT US WHILE WE'RE SLEEPING ..?
JUMP
CHICKEN!
KYAAAA!
WE'LL CLOSE THE PROJECT HERE.
You've decided already?
STAND

DON'T YOU FEEL EVEN A LITTLE GUILTY? HOW CAN YOU BE SO JEALOUS OVER DON NAMU'S ABILITY?
YOU'RE ONE TO TALK. YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN SUSPICIOUSLY PROTECTIVE OF DON NAMU.
YOU'RE CANCELLING THE PLAN BECAUSE YOU CAN'T STAND THE FACT THAT YOUR PRECIOUS "BABY" IS MADLY IN LOVE WITH ME AREN'T YOU? HOW DARE YOU CALL ME JEALOUS?
JEALOUS?

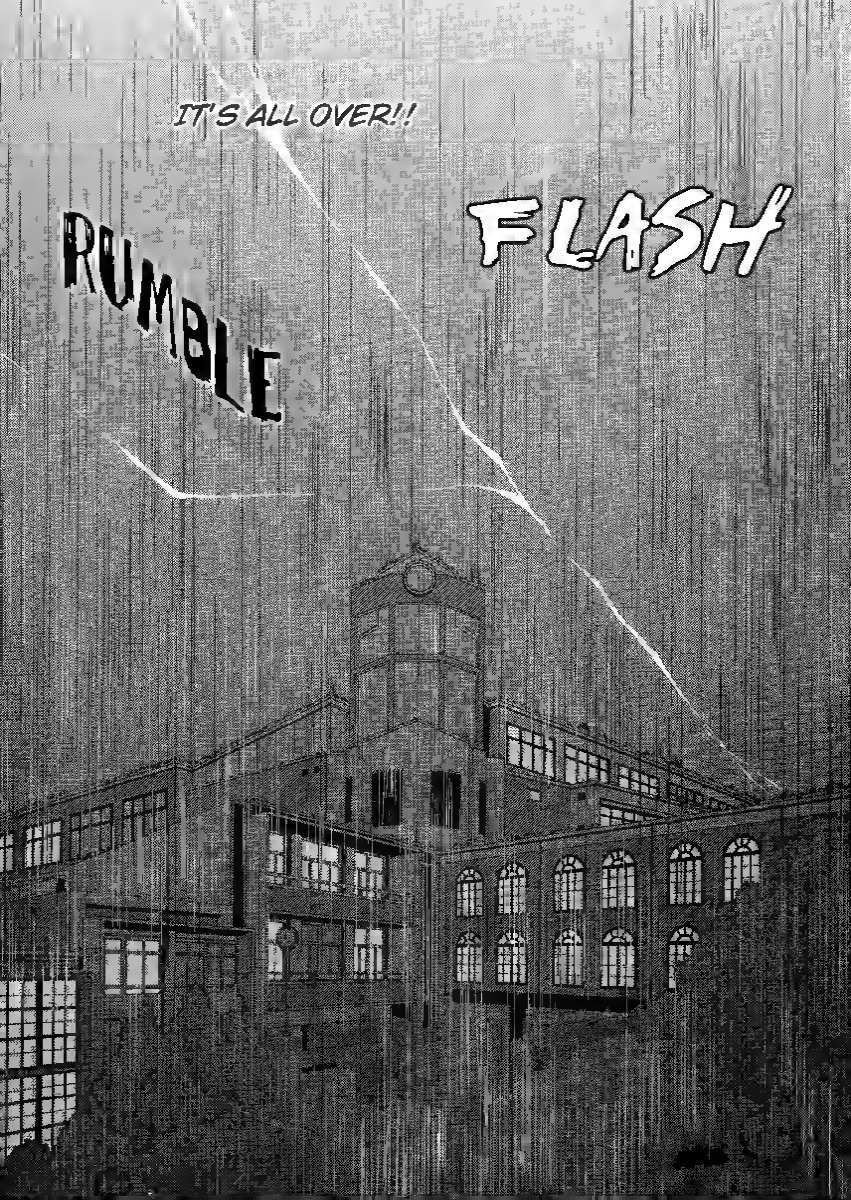
MOTHER FUCKER...
OH DEAR, WHAT'S GOING ON NOW?
How exciting!
HEY, I THINK YOU TWO SHOULD STOP...
LISTEN CAREFULLY, YOU LITTLE BITCH! I'M ONLY WORRIED ABOUT DON NAMU'S HOOK EYE!
I DON'T KNOW WHY SHE LETS HERSELF GET CHEATED BY A SMARMY PRICK LIKE YOU, USING HER FOR YOUR OWN BENEFIT!
YOU SEEM TO EAT MEAT JUST FINE! I'VE SEEN YOU SNEAKING IN SOME STEAK BEFORE!
THE ONE WHO ENCOURAGED ME TO USE HER WAS YOU! OR DID YOU FORGET?!

WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU TWO TALKING ABOUT?

END OF MAX VOLUME 3. TO BE CONTINUED IN VOLUME 4

I SAID, WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

...IT'S OVER...


IT'S ALL OVER!!
RUMBLE
FLASH

PSHHHH
IT'S RAINING... IT'S THE RAINY SEASON, AFTER ALL...
cuckoo
cuckoo
WELL, I GUESS I'LL TAKE A LOOK AT THE REAL ESTATE RESULTS FROM THE PAST TWO WEEKS.
...OH, IT'S NO GOOD. REAL ESTATE IS STILL STAGNANT AND I CAN'T TELL HOW LONG IT WILL BE LIKE THIS..
OUR FUNDS HAVE DECLINED BY ABOUT 4-5%. WE'LL HAVE TO CLEAN UP OUR STOCKS IN ORDER TO MAKE MORE OPPORTUNITIES.
OUR ONLY PROFITABLE FUND...

IS THE MONEY FROM THE THINGS DON NAMU BOUGHT. THE PRICES FOR SOME HAVE JUMPED, AND SOME OF THEM ARE NATIONAL TREASURES, SO THE TOTAL PROFIT WOULD BE 3 MILLION...
I USED THAT UP.
THE NEWLY BOUGHT STOCKS HAVE HALVED ON WHOLE, ACCORDING TO THE NEWS FROM EUROPE. WE HAVE ACCUMULATED ABOUT 5 MILLION WON IN DAMAGES...
Where did he come from?
...

D-DAMAGES, YOU SAY...?
WHY... WHY WOULD YOU BUY MORE STOCKS... AND SPEND MONEY LIKE THAT?
DIDN'T YOU LEAVE ME WITH WORK WHILE YOU WERE PANICKING ABOUT LOSING DON NAMU? ALL YOU GAVE ME WAS THIS FINANCIAL TECHNOLOGY GAME DISK, SAYING IT WAS EDUCATIONAL. BUT I'M NOT HERE TO PLAY GAMES
THAT WAS A GAME I DEVELOPED MYSELF, MORON! AS YOU CLEAR THE LEVELS, YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BECOME A STOCK AND REAL ESTATE MASTER!
YOU KNEW THAT I WAS PANICKING, AND YOU STILL DID EXACTLY AS I SAID!
...
Grab
DAMN IT... IF ANYONE'S TO BLAME...
TAE-HU, THAT'S DISTASTEFUL..

FIRST, LET'S FINISH THIS MEETING. SEO-HWI, PRESENT THE REASONS FOR THE REAL ESTATE LOSSES AND YOUR BACK UP PLAN. YAE-MIN, SHOW US YOUR ANALYSIS OF THE PROSPECTS OF THE STOCK MARKET.
AH, I FORGOT TO PREPARE...
AH, AND I FORGOT TO DO RESEARCH. .
WHAT IS WRONG WITH YOU TWO?! I CAN UNDERSTAND WHY YOU'RE NOT MOTIVATED, BUT HOW CAN YOU BE SO UNPREPARED FOR THIS MEETING?! YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE ANY CHARTS OR GRAPHS!
AND WHILE WE'RE AT IT, WHO GAVE TAE-HU SO MUCH MONEY IN THE FIRST PLACE? WITHOUT MY PERMISSION, I MIGHT ADD!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO GAVE HIM 1 MILLION.
Here's the evidence.
Shuuuuuu
WE'VE ALL LOST OUR MOTIVATION...
SOON WE'LL HAVE TO SHUT THIS PLACE DOWN.
...JUST AS I THOUGHT.

WE NEED DON NAMU.
Sigh
SHE PROBABLY...WON'T FORGIVE US, WILL SHE?

FORGIVE US... NO, SHE WON'T FORGIVE US. SHE WON'T EVEN LET US APOLOGIZE.
SHE RETURNS OUR GIFTS AND REFUSES TO SPEAK TO US.
I'VE TRIED TO CONTACT HER MANY TIMES.
ROLL
A 36 CHARACTER MESSAGE WAS REJECTED 11 TIMES, AND SHE REFUSED TO TALK IN THE CLASSROOM, CORNER SHOP, AND BEHIND THE GYM
THERE ARE DAYS WHEN OUR EFFORTS SEEM TO HAVE SOME EFFECT ON HER BUT OVERALL SHE'S ADOPTED A POLICY OF PRETENDING WE'RE NOT THERE. OUR NEXT PLAN OF ACTION IS TO APPROACH HER IN THE BATHROOM AND THE DRESSING ROOM.
THAT'S WHY NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES YOU TRY...
PLUCK

EVEN AFTER SENDING GIFTS OF BEEF RIBS TO HER HOUSE EVERY DAY, THEY WERE ALWAYS IMMEDIATELY RETURNED.
THE FLOWERS WE LEFT IN HER LOCKER, EVEN THE COOKIES AND CARDS WE HID IN HER DESK, ALL OF THEM WERE THROWN IN THE TRASH EVERY TIME. WE ARE RESORTING TO EVERY SORT OF RECONCILIATION GESTURE WE CAN THINK OF, BUT ALL WE GET IN RETURN IS REJECTION.
YOU... YOU PREPARED ALL THIS, BUT DIDN'T EVEN PREPARE ANYTHING FOR THE ACTUAL MEETING...
...
ALRIGHT, THIS IS FINE. DON'T BOTHER ANYMORE.
STANDS UP
Shut
ALL OF THIS IS MY RESPONSIBILITY.
THIS IS ALL WHAT I'VE WROUGHT, AND I HAVE TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY.

PRESIDENT... WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING...!?
ARE YOU FINALLY SANE NOW?
HM?
AND WHERE DID TAE-HU RUN OFF TO?
I'M HUNGRY...
LET'S GO TO THE CORNER STORE BEFORE IT GETS CROWDED, NAMU!

BUT WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO EAT? YOU WANNA GET SOMETHING ELSE AND SHARE?
...ME?
A CARROT KALBI-BURGER*.
*TN: A KALBI BURGER IS A POPULAR KOREAN STYLE BURGER WHERE THE BEEF PATTY IS REPLACED BY KOREAN BBQ
OH WOW, YOU'VE FINALLY STOPPED THAT STUPID VEGETARIAN DIET!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT POSSESSED YOU TO DO THAT, BUT DON'T YOU EVER PULL THAT CRAP AGAIN, OKAY?
SHAKE
...YEAH. IT WILL NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN.

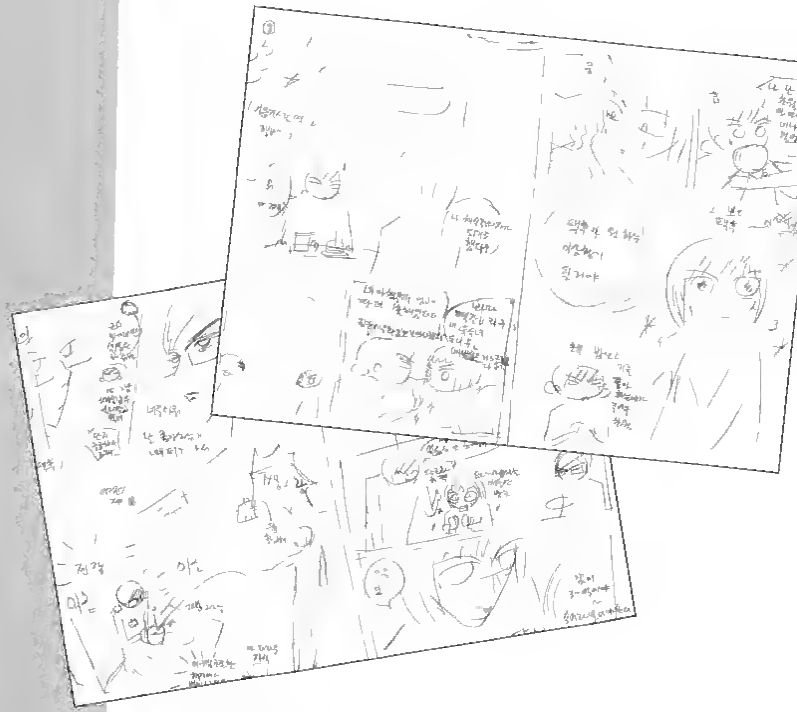
ALL RIGHT! I THINK I'LL TAKE TWO!
ME TOO!

CRASHHHHH
EEK! NAMU, YOU'RE BEING CREEPY!
FLASH

LET'S GO.
EH?
FLUMP

WHOA! LOOK OVER THERE!

WH-WHAT THE HELL?! JAE TAE-HU IS KNEELING!
IN FRONT OF DON NAMU, TOO!
WHAT'S GOING ON?!!
TAE-HU'S APOLOGY? READ ON!



I was looking at Kyung-Ran's artwork earlier, and I noticed that the background touches had a European feel to them, while MAX was just starting to be sent to France at the same time ^^ Even so, these days I've really been inspired by the news, so my strength to continue has burst out~I'm talking about strength that can't even be produced by candy, ha ha.I'm working really diligently so I can get the next volume out sooner. (Unfortunately, I'm only diligent in my mind .

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